State of Arizona Senate Forty-sixth Legislature First Regular Session 2003

CHAPTER 84

## **SENATE BILL 1261**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 33-1432 AND 41-121, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA MOBILE HOME PARKS RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 33-1432, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

## 33-1432. Disclosure of written rental agreement

- A. The landlord or any person authorized to enter into a rental agreement on his THE LANDLORD'S behalf shall disclose to the tenant in writing before entering into the rental agreement each of the following:
- 1. The name and address of the person authorized to manage the premises.
  - 2. The name and address of the owner of the premises.
- 3. If applicable, the name and address of a person authorized to act for and on behalf of the owner for the purpose of service of process and for the purpose of receiving and receipting for notices and demands.
- 4. For a prospective tenant on an initial rental agreement, a written statement that shows the rent increases for the three full calendar years immediately preceding the prospective initial rental agreement date. This information shall be for basic space rental only and does not apply to other fees such as late charges, guest fees and utility charges. The landlord may disclose the rent history with calculations that fairly describe the rent history and that are made in any manner that reasonably informs the prospective tenant of the history of basic space rent in the mobile home park during that period. The disclosure calculation may be made in January of each year by adding the dollar amounts or percentage amounts for aggregate rental increases that became effective in the prior calendar year for every space in the park and dividing that number by the total number of occupied revenue spaces for which rent was or could have been increased. This average amount of rental increase or average percentage of rental increase shall be posted at the rental office for three years. Disclosure calculations made pursuant to this section shall be made to the best of the landlord's ability.
- B. The information required to be furnished by this section shall be kept current and refurnished to the tenant upon the tenant's request except that any successor landlord shall not be required to provide average rent disclosures relating to previous landlords.
- C. When there is a new owner or operator this section extends to and is enforceable against any successor landlord, owner or manager.
- D. A person who fails to comply with subsection A, paragraph 1, 2 or 3 or subsection B becomes an agent of each person who is a landlord for the following purposes:
- 1. Service of process and receiving and receipting for notices and demands.
- 2. Performing the obligations of the landlord under this chapter and under the rental agreement and expending or making available for the purpose all rent collected from the premises.

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- E. The landlord or any person authorized to enter into a rental agreement on his THE LANDLORD'S behalf shall post in a conspicuous place a copy of the current utility rates unless the tenant is charged directly by the utility company.
- F. Each tenant shall be notified, in writing, of any rent increase at least ninety days prior to the increase by first class or certified mail or by personal delivery. The mobile home parks hearing officer has jurisdiction to determine whether notices have been served properly and in a timely manner.
- Before entering into a rental agreement, the landlord or any person G. authorized to enter into the rental agreement shall provide to the prospective tenant A CONCISE WRITTEN SUMMARY OF the current Arizona mobile home parks residential landlord and tenant act booklet, published by the secretary of state THAT IS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND FIRE SAFETY ANNUALLY BY NOVEMBER 1 AND THAT INCLUDES ANY LEGISLATIVE CHANGES MADE IN THE PRECEDING YEAR. THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND FIRE SAFETY SHALL POST THE APPROVED SUMMARY ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEB SITE. The landlord shall provide the booklet SUMMARY to the tenant at no cost to the tenant. THE SUMMARY SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION REGARDING WHERE A COMPLETE COPY OF THE ACT MAY BE OBTAINED OR REVIEWED. INCLUDING LISTING THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S WEB SITE. This subsection shall DOES not apply to renewal of rental agreements. Upon request, the secretary of state shall provide sufficient copies of the booklet for this purpose without charge. THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL POST THE ACT ON THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S WEB SITE.
- H. The landlord shall make available to all tenants A CONCISE WRITTEN SUMMARY OF the most current revision of the Arizona mobile home parks residential landlord and tenant act booklet within sixty days after it is published by the secretary of state THAT IS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND FIRE SAFETY ANNUALLY BY NOVEMBER 1 AND THAT INCLUDES ANY LEGISLATIVE CHANGES MADE IN THE PRECEDING YEAR. THE SUMMARY SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION REGARDING WHERE A COMPLETE COPY OF THE ACT MAY BE OBTAINED OR REVIEWED, INCLUDING LISTING THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S WEB SITE. THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND FIRE SAFETY SHALL POST THE APPROVED SUMMARY ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEB SITE. The landlord shall provide the revisions SUMMARY at no cost to the tenants.
  - Sec. 2. Section 41-121, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 41-121. Duties

The secretary of state shall:

- 1. Receive bills and resolutions from the legislature, and perform such other duties as devolve upon the secretary of state by resolution of the two houses or either of them.
  - 2. Keep a register of and attest the official acts of the governor.
  - 3. Act as custodian of the great seal of this state.

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- 4. Affix the great seal, with the secretary of state's attestation, to public instruments to which the official signature of the governor is attached.
- 5. File in the secretary of state's office receipts for all books distributed by the secretary of state and direct the county recorder of each county to do the same.
- 6. Certify to the governor the names of those persons who have received at any election the highest number of votes for any office, the incumbent of which is commissioned by the governor.
- 7. Publish slip laws of each act of the legislature promptly upon passage and approval of such act, make such acts available to interested persons for a reasonable fee to compensate for the cost of printing and provide each house of the legislature and the legislative council with a certified copy of each bill or resolution, showing the chapter or resolution number of each, as each is filed in the secretary of state's office.
- 8. Keep a fee book of fees and compensation of whatever kind and nature earned, collected or charged by the secretary of state, with the date, the name of the payer and the nature of the service in each case. The fee book shall be verified annually by the secretary of state's affidavit entered in the fee book.
  - 9. Perform other duties imposed on the secretary of state by law.
- 10. Report to the governor on January 2 each year, and at such other times as provided by law, a detailed account of the secretary of state's official actions taken since the secretary of state's previous report together with a detailed statement of the manner in which all appropriations for the secretary of state's office have been expended.
- 11. Transfer all noncurrent or inactive books, records, deeds and other papers otherwise required to be filed with or retained by the secretary of state to the custody of the Arizona state library, archives and public records.
- 12. Make available to the public, without charge, <del>copies of</del> title 33, chapter 11 ON THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S WEB SITE.
- 13. Accept, and approve for use, electronic and digital signatures that comply with section 41-132, for documents filed with and by all state agencies, boards and commissions. In consultation with the government information technology agency, the department of administration and the state treasurer, the secretary of state shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 6 of this title establishing policies and procedures for the use of electronic and digital signatures by all state agencies, boards and commissions for documents filed with and by all state agencies, boards and commissions.

APPROVED BY THE COVERNOR APRIL 22, 2003.

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